

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

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COMMUNITIES FIRE PROTECTION PLANS IN PLACE

Areas in Unincorporated County Establish Priorities for Protection

What: A dozen communities in unincorporated areas of San Diego County will be better able to get fire protection funding because they've developed a Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) that prioritizes fuel reduction projects in their area. Board of Supervisors Chairman Bill Horn will sign documents to approve the plans. (Maps of the areas will be on display at ceremony)

Why: CWPPs establish forest management and hazardous fuel reduction program priorities for communities to protect life, property and critical infrastructure in the wild land urban interface. They influence where and how federal agencies implement fuel reduction projects on federal lands and how federal funds may be distributed for projects on nonfederal lands.

When: Friday, February 17, 1 p.m.

Where: County Administration Center, 1600 Pacific Highway, Room 335, 3rd floor.

Who: Chairman Bill Horn, Chief Chuck Maner of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, Community and U.S. Forest Service representatives, and other County officials.

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